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employees in the Bill Room, it's like air, we take it for granted. It's essential, but because it's always there we don't even think about it until something happens that deprives us of that air. The various employees I see, I speak, they speak, I'm not a weepy kind of person, but I am not one who will observe the passing of somebody who has been of help to me without taking note of it. Although we all must go that way, that does not indicate that we cannot be regretful when somebody has gone before us. So I hope that his family will have gotten as much enjoyment out of him being with them as possible. I know I certainly worked him as much as possible. I intend to vote for this resolution. I hope everybody else will. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion? Seeing none, the Chair would recognize Senator Pedersen to close. He waives closing. The question is the adoption of LR 231. All those in favor please vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of LR 231.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: The resolution is adopted. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 230 and LR 231. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Agriculture Committee has a confirmation report regarding the appointment of Timothy Schram to the Beginning Farmer Board. The report is found on page 453 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair would recognize Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. The Ag Committee wishes to report favorably upon the Governor's appointment of Timothy Schram to the Beginning Farmers Board. The Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act was enacted in 1999, and it provides income tax credit